

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A file recording apparatus comprising:  
a processor; and  
a memory device storing instructions which when executed by the processor, cause the processor to:

- (a) edit for editing video data in accordance with a command input by a user; and
- (b) recording the resultant record the edited video data in the form of as a file, the file including:
  - (i) a first block including of real data management information which is organized in a hierarchical structure and which includes; at least
    - (A) a first source track in which management information associated with the video data is described; and
    - (B) an effect track in which management information associated with  
an a first effect to be applied to the video data is described; and
  - (ii) a second, different block of including real data including at least real data associated with the effect track; and
- (c) the file recording apparatus forming, in the first block of real data management information, form: at least
  - (i) an a first alternate track including video data equivalent to video data obtained by performing a process according to the effect track, the first alternate track being used in response to the effect track being unprocessable; and
  - (ii) information indicating the processing priority level assigned to the first alternate track of the video data with respect to the processing priority level assigned to another track.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The file recording apparatus ~~according to claim of Claim~~ 1, wherein ~~the instructions, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to, in the first block of real data management information, an alternate track~~ for an alternative use of the effect track, ~~is formed in the block of management information, the form a second, different alternate track including an a second, different effect which is an alternative to the first effect described in the effect track.~~

Claim 3 (currently amended): The file recording apparatus ~~according to claim of Claim~~ 2, wherein the information indicating the priority level is described in:

- (a) ~~a~~ third, different block of user data of the first alternate track including the video data; and also in
- (b) ~~a~~ fourth, different ~~a~~-block of user data of the second, different alternate track for alternative use of the effect track.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The file recording apparatus ~~according to claim of Claim~~ 3, wherein in the third, different block of the user data, property information associated with the corresponding track is described.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The file recording apparatus ~~according to claim of Claim~~ 1, wherein the first alternate track including the video data is formed such that real data of the video that is assigned only in a period in which a change occurs in the video data when the effect track is applied to the video data.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The file recording apparatus ~~according to claim of Claim~~ 1, wherein the first alternate track including the video data is a track of management information associated with ~~an a~~ third, different effect to be applied to ~~another a~~ second, different source track including video data obtained as a result of applying the effect track to the currently amended video data.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A ~~file recording method of operating a file recording device including instructions, the method comprising:~~

- (a) ~~causing a processor to execute the instructions to editing-edit video data in accordance with a command input by a user; and recording the resultant~~
- (b) ~~causing the processor to execute the instructions to record the edited video data in the form of as a file, the file including:~~
  - (i) ~~a first block of-including real data management information which is organized in a hierarchical structure and which includes; at least~~
    - (A) ~~a source track in which management information associated with the video data is described; and~~
    - (B) ~~an effect track in which management information associated with an effect to be applied to the video data is described; and~~
  - (ii) ~~a second, different block of real data including at least real data associated with the effect track; and~~
- (c) ~~causing the processor to execute the instructions to, the file recording method including the step of forming, in the first block of-including real data management information, form: at least~~
  - (i) ~~an alternate track including video data equivalent to video data obtained by performing a process according to the effect track, the alternate track being used in response to the effect track being unprocessable; and~~
  - (ii) ~~information indicating the processing priority level assigned to the alternate track of the video data with respect to the processing priority level assigned to another track.~~

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (currently amended): A non-transitory computer-readable storage medium in which ~~a program for causing a~~ includes instructions structured to cause a computer to: ~~execute a file recording process is stored, the file recording process including editing~~

(a) edit video data in accordance with a command input by a user; ~~and recording the resultant~~

(b) record the edited video data ~~in the form of~~ as a file, the file including:

(i) a first block of real data management information which is organized in a hierarchical structure and which includes; ~~at least~~

(A) a source track in which management information associated with the video data is described; ~~and~~

(B) an effect track in which management information associated with an effect to be applied to the video data is described; ~~and~~

(ii) a second, different block of real data including at least real data associated with the effect track; ~~and~~

(c) ~~the program of the file recording process including the step of forming, in the first block of~~ including real data management information, at least ~~form;~~

(i) forming at least an alternate track including video data equivalent to video data obtained by performing a process according to the effect track, the alternate track being used in response to the effect track being unprocessable; ~~and~~

(ii) information indicating the processing priority level assigned to the alternate track of the video data with respect to the processing priority level assigned to another track.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A file playback apparatus comprising:  
a processor; and  
a memory device which stores instructions which when executed by the processor, cause  
the processor to:

(a) adapted to play back video data recorded in the form of as a file on a recording medium, and output the resultant video data; the file including:

(i) a block of real data management information which is organized in a hierarchical structure and which includes; at least

(A) a source track in which management information associated with the video data is described; and

(B) an effect track in which management information associated with an effect to be applied to the video data is described; and

(C) an alternate track including video data equivalent to video data obtained by performing a process according to the effect track; and

(D) information indicating the processing priority level assigned to the alternate track of the video data with respect to the processing priority level assigned to another track; and

(ii) a block of real data including at least real data associated with the effect track; and

the file playback apparatus performing a process including the step of

(b) detecting in response to the effect track being unprocessable:

(i) detect a processable alternate track in the order from the highest priority level to lower priority levels based on the information indicating the priority level; and

(ii) playing play back the file using the detected alternate track.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A file-playback method of operating a file playback apparatus including instructions, the method comprising:

(a) causing a processor to execute the instructions to play playing-back video data recorded in the form of as a file on a recording medium, and outputting the resultant video data, the file including:

(i) a first block of including real data management information which is organized in a hierarchical structure and which includes; at least

(A) a source track in which management information associated with the video data is described;

(B) an effect track in which management information associated with an effect to be applied to the video data is described; and

(C) an alternate track including video data equivalent to video data obtained by performing a process according to the effect track; and

(D) information indicating the processing priority level assigned to the alternate track of the video data with respect to the processing priority level assigned to another track; and

(ii) a second, different block of real data including at least real data associated with the effect track; and

the file-playback method including the step of

(b) in response to the effect track being unprocessable:

(i) causing the processor to execute the instructions to detect detecting a processable alternate track in the order from the highest priority level to lower priority levels based on the information indicating the priority level; and

(ii) causing the processor to execute the instructions to play playing-back the file using the detected alternate track.

Claim 12 (canceled).

Claim 13 (currently amended): A non-transitory computer-readable storage medium in which ~~a program for causing stores instructions structured to cause~~ a computer to:

(a) ~~play execute a file playback process is stored, the file playback process including playing-back video data recorded in the form of as a file on a recording medium, and outputting the resultant video data, the file including:~~

(i) ~~a first block of including~~ real data, management information which is organized in a hierarchical structure and which includes ~~at least~~

(A) ~~a source track in which management information associated with the video data is described;~~

(B) ~~an effect track in which management information associated with an effect to be applied to the video data is described;~~ and

(C) ~~an alternate track including video data equivalent to video data obtained by performing a process according to the effect track;~~ and

(D) ~~information indicating the processing priority level assigned to the alternate track of the video data with respect to the processing priority level assigned to another track;~~ and

(ii) ~~a second, different block of real data including at least real data associated with the effect track;~~ and

~~the program of the file playback process including the step of~~

(b) ~~detecting in response to the effect tack being unprocessable:~~

(i) ~~detect~~ a processable alternate track in the order from the highest priority level to lower priority levels based on the information indicating the priority level; and ~~playing~~

(ii) ~~play back the file using the detected alternate track.~~